examinations that were being conducted every year. Th
number of working days in a year was only 120. By a
examination and insisting on admissions and withdra
vacation, half of that waste could be conveniently avoid

What was even more important was that holiday
adjusted as to make them more useful to parents and gu
tially an agricultural country and the statistics showing
guardians proved that the majority of the students were
classes. It would be a great boon if there were two va
those vacations coincided with the two sowing and hea
That would be useful to the pupils because it would e
knowledge of agriculture. Again, vacations, instead
out the whole State, might, with advantage, be ad
Saturday might be treated as a working day and the
tended so as to cover the entire working season for th

Dewan's reply.—I am much obliged to you fo
tion in regard to school holidays. It will be v
Director of Public Instruction. We have got to rem
why holidays are given to schools at particular seaso
in other departments are given at the same seasons
enable parents and guardians to migrate to thei
children.

**115. Some observations on education in Travan
Kerala University, vernacular education, etc.**

Mr. Narayanan Narayanan (Member, Pe
rapid increase in educational expenditure and su
cut short the expenditure without impairing e
abolition of the post of the Inspector of English
posts of the two Assistant Inspectors of English
Assistant Inspectors for vernacular schools from 2
deputation of headmasters of vernacular middle
10 each to inspect vernacular primary schools; a
within municipal limits to the management of

The Member dwelt at length on the neces
Travancore, stating that the need for such a Uni
In the Madras Legislative Council of the re
to the development of the natural r
cation, the country was being da
being a member's opinion a Univ
in the country, and Trivandrum
His Highness the Maha Raja's C
He wished to draw the attention
necessity of providing accommoc
State from the beginning of the
soon as Dr. Clark resigned his place, a Travancorean should be appointed to that place on a pay of Rs. 500 per mensem. In his opinion a high-paid officer for Manual Training was not needed.

The Member advocated the abolition of all classes up to Form II in English Schools and suggested that English should be taught as a compulsory subject from class V in vernacular schools. An examination should be held at the end of class VII and the successful candidates should be admitted into the Form III. He also said that all subjects except English should be taught through the medium of the vernacular in English High Schools. English School Leaving Certificate holders who were employed in vernacular schools were, in the Member's opinion, poorly paid and they should be transferred to English schools in order to enable them to draw higher salaries. He objected to the proposal to hand over the Bharananganam School to the Roman Catholics of the locality, as in his view departmental schools should never be handed over to private managers. He appreciated the usefulness of the step proposed to be taken in regard to the medical inspection of school children and suggested that the scheme might be extended to the children of vernacular schools also.

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The Membe[illegible] managed by the Villt would be very hard to disband the Bhagavatars in vernacular sc[illegible]ildrery education, compassed the prescribed test in music but had not put in 10 years [illegible]y th looked after by the

He next [illegible]y if such a policy was p[illegible]f the present system of literary education and opined that t[illegible]hich could be utilised f[illegible]hould replace literary education in all boys' schools.

Regardin[illegible]ber represented that the [illegible]aded that they should be printed and published at Government c[illegible]ardship and requested th[illegible]:d that those who had passed the Vernacular Higher Examina[illegible]ber concluded by requesin encouragement by reserving for them a few places in the high[illegible]ertallai High School and [illegible] at a distance of three miles from o[illegible] that official correspondence should be carried on i[illegible]at taluk [illegible]o proper means of cor[illegible] the abol[illegible]t their defects teaching during a nu[illegible] *De*[illegible]he Factories Reg[illegible]pose to reply to you in detail. You have made on the c[illegible] there are any shortcomings suggestions will be referred to the Director. policy [illegible]eir removal and also enforce co[illegible]ve[illegible]nglish and Vernacular education up to Form III. publics for a night school for the chil[illegible] and also in Madras. It is a very good proposi- this, [illegible]t school would be useful. As I ha[illegible]ties in introducing that system here. As a are revising the rules with a view to giv[illegible]ducing the teaching of English as a compul- [illegible]e may take advantage of those rules and start[illegible] has been recently sanctioned. But even in [illegible] practical difficulties. As you may have

[illegible]ish Middle School for Girls to the building used [illegible] the scheme has had to be restricted and [illegible]hool, with provision for the opening of higher [illegible] compulsory English in vernacular schools [illegible] people take kindly to it, we can proceed [illegible]ss in course of time.

[illegible]*nar* (Member, Tiruvalla Taluk) dwelt at leng[illegible]n of the University Committe, a G. O. on [illegible]ish High School for Girls at Chengann[illegible]at will show you what the constitution of [illegible]r Girls was started there as early as [illegible]mmittee will consider the question whether t[illegible]school in 1091. The number of girls de[illegible] attendin[illegible] of the Kerala country or should be confined [illegible]sai[illegible] Over 8,00[illegible] schools [illegible] and th[illegible] [illegible]ion Ver[illegible]ules. [illegible] School for Boys[illegible] wa[illegible] [illegible] on

teaching of Tamil in [illegible]He represented [illegible]ference to libraries and Government grants [illegible]

Mr. Kanakku [illegible]e of the local [illegible] Taluk) requested that a Gu[illegible]ded over the[illegible]*dai Kumaraswami Pillai* (Member, Agast[illegible] grants be sanctioned to li[illegible]t to those bu[illegible] library might be established at Nagercoil, [illegible]e sanctioned to libraries be ent[illegible] a portio[illegible]run by private agencies, and that the [illegible] in the Government library migl[illegible]at the In[illegible] considerably. He also requested that [illegible]ned of the Gazette be supplied to school[illegible]lent for the use of private libraries an[illegible]pared

The Member complained that duly qua[illegible] cost. [illegible] annual Tamil teachers in Tamil schools. For instance, the presen[illegible] were not bein[illegible]e also Training School at Nagercoil was not trained in Tamil. He [illegible] Headmast[illegible] defect might be remedied and that text books of a higher standa[illegible] ques[illegible]endeavour- prescribed for teachers undergoing training in the Tamil Training[illegible]m III had to

Dewan's reply.—Government are giving grants to Reading [illegible] put up an the Reading Room subscribes only for a few newspapers, even this grant[illegible]ither run necessary. In the case of Reading Rooms, however, to which there are la[illegible] attached the present grant might be found to be insufficient. Each case[illegible]burbs be- decided on its own merits.

Then you want that all libraries should be supplied with the Governm[illegible] Gazette freely. The Gazette is already a financially losing concern. It will not possible to give copies of the Gazette free to all Reading Rooms and libraries.

You say that the present Headmaster of the Tamil Training School at Nager- coil is not trained in Tamil. The Director of Public Instruction tells me that the present Headmaster is trained in Tamil and that he possesses a certificate of merit in

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